State of California Department of Industrial Relations DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION



Order of the Acting Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation Official Medical Fee Schedule - Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, Supplies Effective for Services Rendered on or after January 1, 2017

Pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(2), the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation orders that the Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, Supplies portion of the Official Medical Fee Schedule contained in title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.60, is adjusted to conform to changes to the Medicare payment system that were adopted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for calendar year 2017.

Medicare Data Source and Incorporation by Reference

Effective for services rendered on or after January 1, 2017, the maximum reasonable fees for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, Supplies shall not exceed 120% of the applicable California fees set forth in the Medicare calendar year 2017 "Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics/Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule" revised for January 2017, contained in the electronic file "DME17-A (Updated 12/07/16) [ZIP, 2MB]" which is adopted and incorporated by reference. The fee schedule data files (DME2017_JAN_11142016 and DMEPEN_JAN_11072016) each set forth two columns for California labelled: "CA (NR)" [California Non-Rural] and "CA (R)" [California Rural]. For the services on or after January 1, 2017 payment shall not exceed 120% of the fee set forth for the HCPCS code in the CA (NR) column, except the fee shall not exceed 120% of the fee set forth in the CA (R) column if the injured worker's residence zip code appears on the DMERuralZip_Q12017_V11142017 file. Where column CA (NR) sets forth a fee for a code, but CA (R) for the code is listed as "0.00" the fee shall not exceed 120% of the CA (NR) fee, regardless of whether the injured worker's address zip code is rural or non-rural.

DME17-A includes the following documents:

DME2017_JAN_11142016 DMEBACK 2017 DMEPEN_JAN_11072016 DMEREAD 2017 DMERuralZip_Q12017_V11142017

The update includes changes identified in CR 9854. The CMS Manual System, Pub 100-4 Medicare Claims Processing, Transmittal R3671CP, Change Request 9854, December 5, 2016 sets forth the changes and is relied upon in adopting this update Order.

The fee schedule revision is available on the Internet at the website of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services at:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/DMEPOSFeeSched/DMEPOS-Fee-Schedule.html

This Order shall be published on the website of the Division of Workers' Compensation: http://www.dir.ca.gov/dwc/OMFS9904.htm#3

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 15, 2016 ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

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Acting Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation